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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of:

Roger A Hajjar

Serial No.: 10/042,947

Confirmation No.: 4434

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For:

Fiber Optic Signal Detector

With Two Switchable Input

Channels

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Group Art Unit: 2878

Examiner:

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 22, 2003

In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for reply to the Office Action dated September 22, 2003, for 3 months from December 22, 2003 to March 22, 2004. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AVAN/001001 the fee of \$950.00 for a three month extension of time, along with any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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## Conclusion

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request that the claims be allowed. If the Examiner has any questions, please contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the number provided below.

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